(c) and (d) Delhi Police have instructed their officers to remove beggars from various road inter-sections and other public places and to take action as per law against them. The children amongst them are produced before the Child Welfare Committee for their rehabilitation.

Noise pollution in Delhi

2903. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sound/noise pollution in the vicinity of New Delhi and Delhi residential areas constitute offence under any law;

(b) if so, the details thereof together with the punishment prescribed for committing such offence;

(c) whether the laws are strictly implemented; and

(d) if so, the number of cases and punishment given for committing such offences in the National Capital Region during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. There are several Local & Speical Laws under which noise pollution is prohibited and the violation of these laws entails punishment varying from imprisonment to fine or both.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The number of cases registered by Delhi Police during the last three years and upto 30th November, 2002 in the National Capital Territory of Delhi and the number of cases which ended with punshment during the same period are indicated below:

Year	Number of cases registered	Number of cases which ended with punishment
1999	24	23
2000	18	17
2001	44	35
2002 (up to 30.11.2002)	59	32

In addition, Delhi Traffic Police regularly takes action against the vehicles for unauthorised use of pressure horns and violation of silence zones. The number of cases challaned during the last three years and upto 30th November, 2002 were as follows:

Year	Number of challans
1999	1,44,390
2000	2,11,177
2001	1,91,546
2002 (up to 30.11.2002)	1,74,031

Illegal travellers from Bangalore airport

2904. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of passengers attempting to travel abroad with forged passports and other documents from Bangalore International Airport during the last one year;

(b) the number of immigration violation cases registered during the above period; and

(c) the steps taken to tighten security at Bangalore International Airport to curb illegal travellers flying out of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) 42 persons were detected attempting to travel abroad with forged passports/travel documents during the past one year.

(b) 24 cases of violation of immigration rules were booked during the past one year.

(c) A number of measures have been taken to curb illegal travellers flying out of the country which include special training of immigration staff for verifying the genuiness of passports, visas etc., installation of close circuit T.V. System near the counters in arrival and departure lounges, computerisation of immigration work, strict care and vigil while handling international travellers, besides having a squad in plain cloths to keep a round the clock vigil on the movements of supicious travellers.